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LALOY AT FONOFF INFORMED US THIS MORNING THAT FRENCH HAVE GIVEN
FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO QUESTION OF INFORMING NATO RE
QUESTIONNAIRE AND THAT PRESENT FONOFF VIEW IS THAT OTHER NATO
COUNTRIES SHOULD BE GIVEN RESUME OF QUESTIONNAIRE. LALOY
SAID FRENCH WOULD PROPOSE THIS AT MEETING FRIDAY OF FOUR NATO
REPRESENTATIVES.

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IN EXPLAINING FRENCH VIEWPOINT, LALOY SAID FONOFF FELT THAT
QUESTIONNAIRE IS INTERNAL DOCUMENT OF FOUR POWER WORKING GROUP.
WHILE OTHER NATO COUNTRIES NATURALLY MAY BE ADVISED OF GENERAL
COURSE OF WORKING GROUP DISCUSSIONS, FRENCH STRONGLY OPPOSE IDEA
THAT ALL OTHER NATO COUNTRIES SHOULD BE GIVEN INTERNAL WORKING
DOCUMENTS OF FOUR POWER GROUP.

MOREOVER, LALOY SAID DISTRIBUTION OF FULL QUESTIONNAIRE TO
OTHER NATO COUNTRIES WOULD INCREASE SECURITY PROBLEM, WHICH IS
ALREADY CAUSING ENOUGH DIFFICULTY.

WE HAVE INFORMED USRO OF FRENCH VIEWS SET FORTH ABOVE.

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